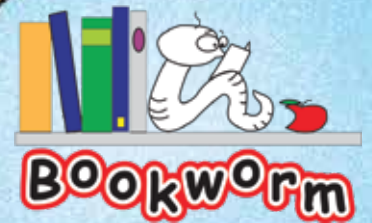
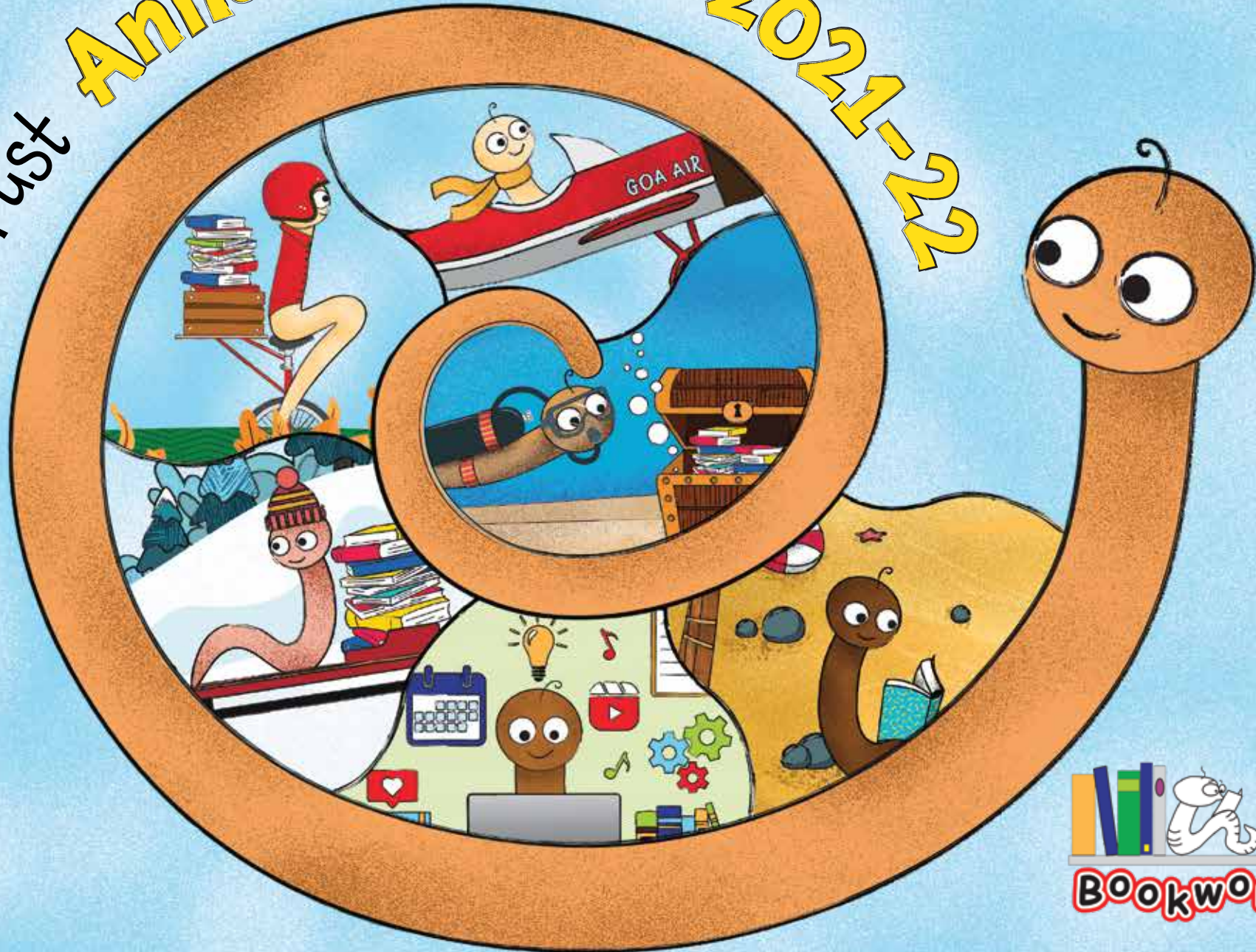


Bookworm Trust Annual Report 2021-22





## Note from Trustees

It is with immense pleasure that I write these few words ending yet another very fulfilling year at Bookworm.

This is an institution built by a missionary zeal of an individual I have come to deeply respect, my great friend Sujata Noronha.

Sujata has personally moulded Bookworm into a highly regarded institution that is widely respected across the Children's literary and educational spectrum.

But an institution like Bookworm is never about one person alone.

Bookworm embodies dedicated team work aimed at shaping young minds into responsible individuals and citizens.

And I am ever grateful to our passionate team at Bookworm for inspiring Bookworm to become a household name in Goa and across India.

Bookworm is now the gold standard and benchmark for any organization in our nation's Children's Educational Space.

I wish Team Bookworm all the fortitude and good wishes in fulfilling its mission.

I also wish to thank our numerous Collaborators, Well Wishers and Volunteers for their immense support and encouragement.

**Dr Lucio Fernandes**  
**Trustee**  
**Bookworm**

The library as a welcoming space has been very important amongst the values of Bookworm.

## Management

From a two person partnership in 2005, Bookworm registered into a charitable Trust in 2014 and is held by four Trustees -

- Dagmar Peres da Silva
- Fernando Noronha
- Lucio Fernandes
- Oscar Braganza

## Stand alone spaces

From an apartment in 2005 with 80 members, Bookworm in 2021 is housed in a historic building in the Old Quarter of Panjim, Goa with 1699 members .

Bookworm also has small satellite libraries in



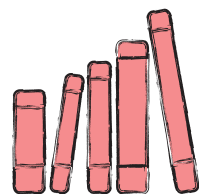
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## Collection

From a modest collection of 3600 books , the library has a collection of 30433 books over 90% of the collection being unique titles for children from ages 0 - 18 years.



## Outreach sites

From a two site outreach project in 2009 , Bookworm now reaches over

# 70+

communities through schools and after school engagement programs.

## Material development

From a few strategies on reading engagement in 2005 centered around read alouds and literacy linked activities, Bookworm has developed a range of resources and material for library engagement in physical, digital and intellectual forms -

- Including an open course called **Introduction to Libraries**
- Multilingual quarterly newsletter - **Bookworms Beyond Borders**
- **Book lists**
- **Lesson plans**
- **Library handbook for teachers**
- **Activity books for children**
- **LEC English**

## Fund support

From personal resources of the Founder - Director , Bookworm is proud to have continued long term support from 2- 3 Foundations whose values align with those of Bookworm as well as a large network of well wishers, catalysts and nurturers.



# 6637

Number of children who directly engaged with Bookworm programs

# 12192

Number of children who indirectly engaged with Bookworm programs

# 654

Number of teachers who participated in Bookworm training programs

# 2600

Number of professionals who received resource support from Bookworm

# 1008

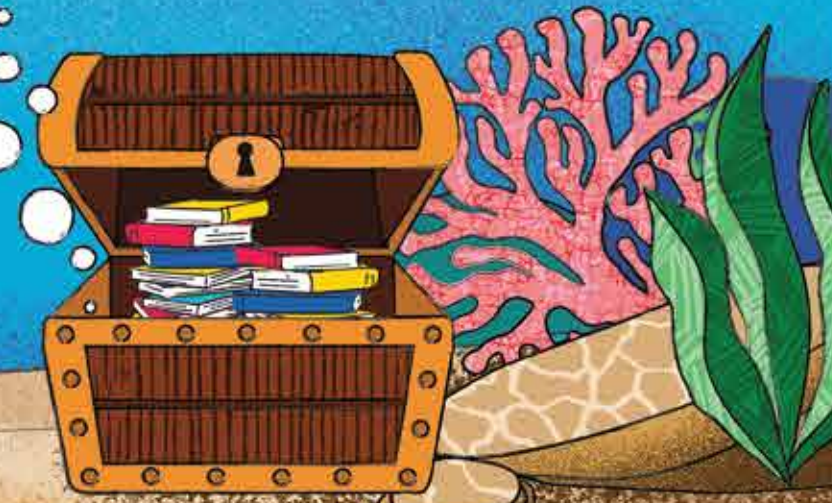
Number of children who got access to digital devices through library program

# 1300

Number of community members who participated in events

# 53

Number of NGO/GO Partnerships



# Highlights of 2021 - 22

We are incredibly proud of accomplishing the following along with our regular work.

1

Developed a three year Strategic Plan for Bookworm with consultant Sriparna Chatterjee.

2

Traveling Library vehicle manifested with support from Takshila Education Society.

5

Large school systems partnerships - (DPS Ghaziabad, TES Group of Schools, KV Sangathan Dehra Dun).

3

Digital devices get added to book boxes supported by Give India.

6

Bookworm presents at International NEXT Library Conference, Aarhus Public Libraries, Denmark.

4

New library space initiated in Aldona in partnership with Aldona Institute for Alban and Aurora Couto Community Program.

7

Mehlli Gobhai Estate through executor Jerry Pinto has strengthened Bookworm's Visual Arts Program Fund enabling hundreds of children to have access to visual arts

8

Received set of 300 books on Covid 19 protocols from Creative Ektara Foundation, Kolkata for free distribution.

9

Bookworm Beyond Borders newsletters with a multilingual participatory foci published four times with 600+ subscribers supported by Wipro Foundation.

10

Developed and uploaded many more OERs on Wipro Foundation portal for Library practitioners <https://wiprofoundation.org/resources/>

12

Received workbooks from Children's Movement for Civic Awareness, Bangalore.

11

Continued the annual book relay across India with over 46 participants and three books.

13

Trained and strengthened relationships with Government Primary teachers in two Talukas in Goa with support of SCERT, Government of Goa.

14

The Library Educators Certificate course, certified by Tata Institute of Social Sciences, was held with 28 participants from October 2021 - March 2022.

15

Began a long distance book sharing plan with 20 members across India.

16

Hosted two large public events (Fundraising Jumble & Samba Square Reading in the Park in partnership with the Corporation of the City of Panjim)

18

Hosted South Asian Sanitation Labour Union ( SASLN) team - Bihar, Orissa, Tamil Nadu & Gujarat for library training.

17

Hosted team from Prayog, Bihar and continued the Mentoring and Learning program into Year 2.

19

Welcomed a new partnership with Parivartan, Bihar.

20

Added over 5000 books to the collection. Weeded 200+. Over 2000 books remain with children whilst they migrate out of Goa.

21

Conducted an online Guided Reading Program in partnership with Sharon English High School, Mumbai.

22

Supported Kitaab Mahal, Mumbai to begin a vibrant library program.

23

Received over 10000 books from donors in Goa that were carefully added to the collection or redistributed based on type and use. Partnered with Goa Street Providence providing books for their open library shelves.

24

Hosted two inter NGO collaborative programs ( Jamlo Walks by Samina Mishra and illustrated by Tarique Aziz & The Secret World of Mehili Gobhai: the Man who found art everywhere by Jerry Pinto and illustrated by Kripa B. ) over zoom.

# Stakeholder stories



Veena Couto, Daughter of Aurora & Alban Couto and patron of AACCL , Aldona

'My mother was a teacher and a writer. She inculcated in me a love for reading which is why it is the most important hobby I have. Bookworm has introduced children to the world of books in a cheerful format. I look forward to books for adults. Thank you, thanks very much.'



Bhavna Faizullabhoy, participant of Bookworm's Professional Development program ( LEC)

I have always loved books and decided to find out about the Library Educator's course offered by Bookworm. I applied and got accepted and thereafter have become a Library Educator and built a very strong bond with the Bookworm family. I continue to look to Bookworm to support me in all my library work endeavors. I am currently practicing my library work from home in Mumbai under the name - "Just B - The Library is Open."



Dr. Nandita de Souza, Founder & Director, Sethu - Child Development and Family Guidance, and Bookworm sister

I am Nandita, a book lover and a diehard fan of Bookworm. Bookworm has been a steadfast torch-bearer of the joy of reading for 17 years. Its sincerity and inspired efforts have transformed the landscape of literacy in Goa and beyond. I am always inspired by Bookworm's commitment to excellence. The warmth, hospitality, attention to detail, creativity and sheer beauty of whatever comes out of Bookworm's treasure chest of ideas and activities bring me infinite pleasure. At 17, you are way beyond compare!



Bhagyashri Prabhu, Government Primary school, Mangeshi

"Covid-19 has badly impacted the children's education but Bookworm's initiative helps to restore children's broken relationship with reading."



Geetanjali Mehra, Teacher, Delhi Public School Pune & LEC alumni

"Bookworm has been playing a major role in getting the best books for our children through the Read program. The support and workshops by the Bookworm helped us to know how reading journeys can be made joyful and meaningful for the children. Children have started thinking about what they are reading. We are proudly and confidently associated with Bookworm."



Rituparna, LEC alumni, Founder of Kitape Katha Koi, Assam

'My association with Bookworm welcomed me to the beautiful world of children's literature.'



# Inside a community library Ribandar, Goa

Our library program on the backwaters of Ribandar, Goa began in 2020 during the pandemic. We were introduced to the community by the Material Recovery Facility team of the Corporation of Panjim City and the children and community are helping us learn together. The Mobile Outreach Program provides a weekly library session of two hours each to children at the site. This includes, books for return and lending - story hour - songs and literacy games and visual arts activities.

## Venkatesh, Site Manager

I am from Karnataka and I came to Goa in 1989 and now I run the scrap business at Ribandar. There is no electricity at this site so things are not very good, but anyhow we manage and things are going well at the moment. Bookworm's work here is really very good. Radhika and other ladies from Bookworm come here and that time is very peaceful - they treat the children here like their own children. I am so happy with them and I'm so glad because children are learning something. They are learning to read, painting, and looking at new books every time. When Bookworm comes, the children are very clean and nice. They take baths, wear proper clothes, comb their hair and they sit for the session very quickly... and they become very kind during that time. They share so many things! I will be proud of them in the future, maybe they will grow up to be doctors, engineers, pilots... This is my hope.

## Pallavi, parent

"For us, our children are everything. And the children have nobody but me and their father. Our condition is very bad. If for any reason, we are unable to work for one day, we are not able to eat a square meal on that day. So my only wish is that my family is always happy. When you come and make the children happy, teach them some things, and you are also happy... that's all we want. We can also come there to the session and spend some time. After the sessions, when the children come home, they always share so many things. They tell us so many things! I have observed many changes in the children since they began attending the Bookworm sessions. I also love to attend Bookworm's sessions.

I feel like a child myself when I go there. We are really happy when you come. It feels like someone who is our own ('apna') has come to visit us... Someone who loves us, someone who is our friend.

## Ruksan, 7 years

In Bookworm's sessions, we do drawings, we read books... We learn drawing, and we also do coloring and painting. I have not learnt to write my name yet. I love looking at books. My favourite part is drawing.

## Meher, 6 years

In the sessions, we do lots of colouring and we read books. I love looking at books with lots of drawings. The teachers teach us, so I can read my own name. I feel good in the sessions. I love looking at pictures in the books the best.

A  
360  
degree  
view

## Radhika, Volunteer

I moved to Goa from Delhi 5 years ago and made it my home. I found Bookworm online, and read about the outreach programs which caught my interest. It's been almost 5 years now as a volunteer in Bookworm, and to my surprise I've been the longest serving volunteer in Bookworm. The Ribandar Community was a bit of a shock initially, we had no roof over our heads and we just worked with a couple of mats on the ground wherever we found space, amongst garbage & plastic bottles & other recyclable materials as our surroundings. This was such a poor community with small shelters & kids with no formal education whatsoever, however this motivated me further to work with them. There are many instances that I cherish and have moved me. The kids rushing to hug me at the start of a session, making them write their name for the first time, a little girl called Pari giving me the widest smile in recognising the letter P in her name, introducing them to my ukulele, the sing along songs which they look forward to so excitedly with actions. Recognising a few words initially to remembering most of the song. I love their enthusiasm to learn and attend the sessions regularly.

## Teja Poll, Bookworm Team Member

I have been heading the sessions at Ribandar. The children love to look at books. They communicate with us in drawings. Whatever they want to say, they make the drawings and tell us. Whenever we go, children come out running with great joy to greet us, hug us, and are enthusiastic to begin the session. I feel passionate about working with the children at the Ribandar community. I love it.

## Sanika Dhakephalkar, Visual Arts Educator at Bookworm

Ribandar was one of the communities where we carried out the Tree Book Project as a part of our Mehli Gobhai Visual Arts Project. The children at Ribandar are not connected to schools and what is special about them is that they make meanings and read books entirely through images. They also love expressing themselves through art. They are deeply attached to the books they get to experience through the Bookworm sessions, and are keen to respond to them in pictures.



# Many ways of reaching out to readers

In 2021 - 22 our modes of ensuring good books reach readers has been multiple and varied. Here are some

## In person lending

From the 18th of May 2020, the library declared itself ESSENTIAL and remained open all throughout the pandemic's worst phases.

## Home Delivery of Books

Across the city of Panjim and Mapusa in Goa, books were dropped off at homes based on phone conversations and reader interests to ensure continued reading

## Book Lists

Lists were shared with school systems, uploaded onto open source web portals and generously distributed via publications to encourage informed choices.

## Book reviews and discussions

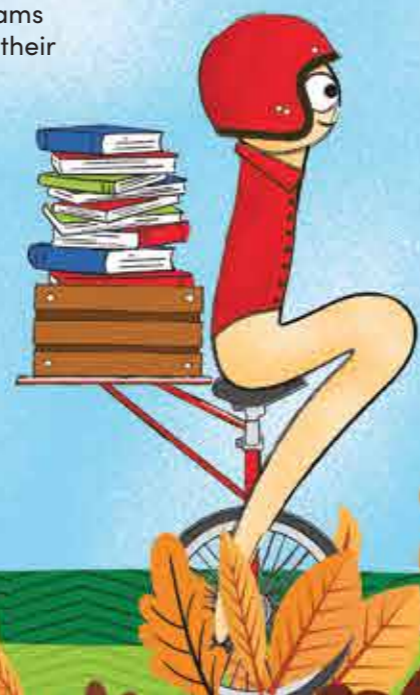
Conducted fortnightly to strengthen our own understanding and subsequent work with collections.

## Book Boxes

120 book boxes with approximately 35 - 60 books went out to children in school classrooms, community centers and even homes to be passed around during lockdowns

## Selection of Children's Literature from India at Burrow

The small niche book shelves at Bookworm ensured that close to 100 participants of various courses and programs received selected book for their library collections



## Book Theme Displays

Curated virtual & physical shelves of various themes have been organized for online sharing making book selections more intimate and user friendly



## Book Relay

The annual traveling book read continued in 2021 - 22 with three exciting reads including 40+ readers in different parts of India

## Book Projects

Intra NGO and intra School programs across India enabled deep and engaged discussions on selected books that were sent generously to participating organisations.

## Books through post

The Indian postal system carried over 250 books to families out of Goa with regular return and refreshments through our long distance program



# Alban and Aurora Couto Community Library Program

The vision of Dr Mrs Aurora Couto (1937 - 2022) enabled Bookworm to consolidate work in Aldona, Goa for the past several years now. We work with schools through the Libraries in School program, operate a children's library room at the Parish Center, Aldona and maintain an open free library called BOOK STOP in the Aldona market. Since the passing of Aurora Couto into the galaxy, the program is renamed Alban and Aurora Couto Community Library Program and is in partnership with a growing number of schools and the Aldona Institute to strengthen work in the area.

Despite school closure during the pandemic years, Bookworm continued to provide St Thomas Girls Primary School and Mae De Deus School with books for teachers to send home.

The community library in the Parish Center shifted timings to accommodate children's needs.


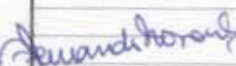
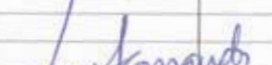
Over 300 children benefited from books through school program.

401 children borrowed books from the community library in the year with a footfall of 1234 members and visitors.

Parents and community members consistently extend their support to the running of the library and over 5000 books have been donated by residents of Aldona for various uses. More than 7 parents conduct workshops and volunteer with AACCL. The program is held by Wendy and Blaise De Sa for Bookworm. We are grateful to the Couto family for continued support.

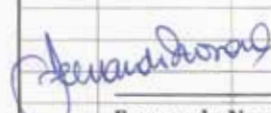
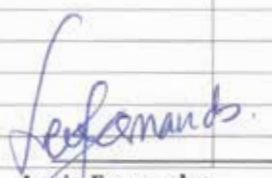
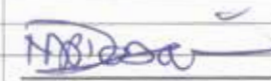



## Balance Sheet

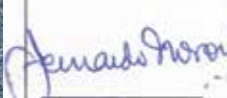



| BOOKWORM<br>PANAJI-GOIA           |           |             |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|--|
| Balance Sheet as on 31.3.2022     |           |             |  |  |
| Liabilities                       |           | Amount      | Assets   |  |
| <b>Corpus Fund</b>                |           |             | <b>Fixed Assets</b>  |  |
| Balance as on 1.4.2021            |           | 86,82,289   | 21,88,586  |  |
|                                   |           |             | <b>Investment</b>  |  |
| <b>Unutilized Grants</b>          |           |             | HDFC Balanced Advantage Fund- Growth Option 10,00,000  |  |
| Wipro Grant 20-21                 | 15,739    |             | HDFC Balanced Advantage Fund- Growth Option (AC) 5,00,000  |  |
| Wipro Grant 21-22                 | (3,360)   |             | ICICI Pruden Bal. Advantag Fund- Growth Option 10,00,000   |  |
| EIHL Grant                        | 2,32,241  |             | ICICI Pruden Bal. Advantag Fund- Growth Option (AC) 5,00,000   |  |
| CIPLA Grant                       | (34,792)  |             | <b>Current Assets</b>  |  |
| Wipro Good Education grant        | 6,29,100  | 8,38,929    | Deposits 2,16,000  |  |
|                                   |           |             | DAC 5,31,523   |  |
|                                   |           |             | Accrued interest 3,23,632  |  |
|                                   |           |             | Fixed Deposit 93,43,154  |  |
| <b>Loans (Liability)</b>          |           |             | TAX deducted at Source (2021-22) 79,181  |  |
| Bookworm-P                        |           | 1,47,822    | TAX deducted at Source 3,04,011  |  |
|                                   |           |             | Advances 1,90,589  |  |
|                                   |           |             | 1,09,88,090  |  |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>        |           |             | <b>Cash in Hand and Bank balance</b>   |  |
| Advances                          | 1,78,332  |             | Cash in Hand 62,822  |  |
| LEC- Course fees payable          | 1,00,000  |             | Bank of India -102210210000015 (TRT) 1,00,864  |  |
| LEC- Course fees                  | 15,80,114 |             | Bank of India -102210210000020(DAC) 19,975   |  |
| Deposits                          | 1,95,872  | 20,54,318   | Bank of India -102210210000028(ACLP) 3,54,501  |  |
|                                   |           |             | HDFC Bank A/c # 50100298353962 (Trust) 25,18,682   |  |
| <b>Income and Expenditure A/c</b> |           |             | HDFC Bank A/c # 50100306186494 (LEC) 11,07,821   |  |
| Balance as on 01/04/2021          | 68,83,523 |             | HDFC Bank A/c # 50100306187586 (C.F.) 22,15,648  |  |
| Excess of Income over Expenditure | 39,58,102 | 1,08,41,624 | HDFC Bank A/c # 50100307065575 (DAC) 7,994   |  |
|                                   |           |             | 63,88,307  |  |
|                                   |           |             |  |  |
|                                   |           | 2,25,64,982 | 2,25,64,982  |  |
|                                   |           |             |  |  |
| <b>For Bookworm (Trust)</b>       |           |             |  |  |
|                                   |           |             | (0)  |  |
|                                   |           |             | As per our Audit Report of even date   |  |
|                                   |           |             | For Prabhudesai & Associates   |  |
|                                   |           |             | Chartered Accountants  |  |
|                                   |           |             | <br>N. J. Prabhudesai<br>Proprietor<br>M. No: 100797<br>Firm Rno: 117278W |  |
|                                   |           |             | <br>Fernando Noronha<br>Trustee   |  |
|                                   |           |             | <br>Lucio Fernandes<br>Trustee  |  |
| Place: Panaji                     |           |             |  |  |
| Date: 08/09/2022                  |           |             |  |  |



# Profit and Loss Accounts

| BOOKWORM<br>PANAJI-GOA   |   |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income and Expenditure Account for the Period ending 31st March 2022 |   |   |   |   |   |
|  | Expenditure   | Year ended<br>31.03.2022  |   | Income  | Year ended  |
| To   | Advertisement & Publicity   | 1,662   | By  | Donations   | 35,11,710   |
| To   | Bank Charges  | 5,229   | By  | Workshop Receipts   | 10,79,308   |
| To   | Computer Expenses   | 9,934   | By  | Fund Raising Event Receipts   | 5,01,871  |
| To   | Electricity Charges   | 5,431   | By  | FDR - Interest Received   | 4,57,927  |
| To   | Freight and Transportation  | 740   | By  | SB-Interest Received  | 5,67,903  |
| To   | Fund Raising Event Expenses   | 1,66,245  | By  | Books for Lending Receipts  | 3,27,000  |
| To   | Give India Event Expenses   | 8,81,879  | By  | Short Term Gains from Sale of MF  | 1,83,027  |
| To   | Newspapers and Magazine   | 6,322   | By  | Books Rental  | 1,22,439  |
| To   | Office Expenses   | 90,785  | By  | Sale of Books   | 44,296  |
| To   | Postage & Courier   | 27,773  | By  | Membership Fees   | 18,400  |
| To   | Printing and Stationery   | 13,387  |   |   |   |
| To   | Professional Fees   | 7,18,365  |   |   |   |
| To   | Rent Paid   | 4,29,363  |   |   |   |
| To   | Repairs and Maintenance   | 31,553  |   |   |   |
| To   | Resource Fees   | 45,155  |   |   |   |
| To   | Telephone/ Internet   | 34,434  |   |   |   |
| To   | Travelling Expenses   | 78,650  |   |   |   |
| To   | Workshop Expenses   | 69,400  |   |   |   |
| To   | Depreciation  | 2,39,472  |   |   |   |
| To   | Excess Income Over Expenditure  | 39,58,102   |   |   |   |
|  |   | 68,13,880   |   |   | 68,13,880   |
| For Bookworm (Trust)   |   |   | As per our Audit Report of even date<br>For Prabhudesai & Associates<br>Chartered Accountants |   |   |
|  |  |  |   |  |  |
|  | Fernando Noronha<br>Trustee   | Lucio Fernandes<br>Trustee  |   | N. J. Prabhudesai<br>Proprietor<br>M. No: 100797<br>Firm R.no: 117278W                |   |
|  | Place: Panaji<br>Date:08/09/2022  |   |   |   |   |

# Receipts and Payments

| BOOKWORM<br>PANAJI, GOA                                     |   |   |   |  |  |                       |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|-----------------------|
| Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31.03.2022 |   |   |   |  |  |                       |
|   | Receipts  | Amount  | Amount  | Payments   | Amount   | Amount                |
| To Opening Balances:  |   |   |   | By Advertisement Expenses  |  | 1,662.00              |
| Cash and FDs with Banks                                     |   | 1,83,47,458.95  |   | By Bank Charges  |  | 4,463.12              |
| Cash-in-Hand  |   | 26,516.00   | 1,83,73,974.95  | By Fund Raising Event Expenses   |  | 1,66,245.00           |
| To Books Rental Income                                      |   |   | 1,22,438.83   | By Give India Expenses   |  | 8,81,878.90           |
| To Donation   |   |   | 26,29,209.90  | By Investment in Mutual Funds  |  | 30,00,000.00          |
| To Membership Fees  |   |   | 17,400.00   | By Office Expenses   |  | 88,514.96             |
| To Workshop Fees  |   |   | 7,19,463.00   | By Professional Fees   |  | 6,68,365.00           |
| To Give India Donation                                      |   |   | 8,82,500.00   | By Printing & Stationary   |  | 17,017.00             |
| To Sale of Books  |   |   | 3,19,799.49   | By Repairs & Maintenance   |  | 19,660.00             |
| To Interest Income  |   |   | 7,56,783.00   | By Rent Paid   |  | 4,29,363.00           |
| To Grants Income  |   |   | 51,48,203.96  | By Telephone / Internet Expense  |  | 62,433.53             |
| To Tax Deducted at Source                                   |   |   | 3,92,445.00   | By Travelling Expenses   |  | 77,650.00             |
| To Library Refundable Deposit                               |   |   | 61,300.00   | By Workshop Expenses   |  | 1,18,125.00           |
| To LEC Course Fee   |   |   | 2,85,618.00   | By Miscellaneous Expense   |  | 17,916.83             |
| To Sundry Creditors   |   |   | 1,04,896.00   | By Other Payables  |  | 4,17,328.00           |
| To Other Receivables  |   |   | 1,34,095.50   | By Postage and Courier   |  | 28,151.00             |
| To Redemption of Mutual Funds                               |   |   | 10,53,026.75  | By Tax Deducted at Source  |  | 33,787.00             |
| To Fund Raising Events Receipts                             |   |   | 5,01,870.53   | By Grant Expenses  |  | 52,26,526.84          |
|   |   |   |   | By LEC Fees  |  | 20,74,090.00          |
|   |   |   |   | By Purchase of Fixed Assets  |  | 2,40,593.00           |
|   |   |   |   | By Deposits  |  | 33,078.00             |
|   |   |   |   | By Loans & Advances  |  | 21,64,716.21          |
|   |   |   |   | <b>By Closing Balances:</b>  |  |                       |
|   |   |   |   | Cash and FDs with Banks  | 1,56,68,638.52   |                       |
|   |   |   |   | Cash-in-Hand   | 62,822.00  | 1,57,31,460.52        |
| <b>Total</b>  |   |   | <b>3,15,03,024.91</b>   | <b>Total</b>   |  | <b>3,15,03,024.91</b> |
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